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| This application is abandoned in view of:   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| ⊠ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office     (a) ☐ A reply was received on (with a Certificate of N period for reply (including a total extension of time of)  | failing or Transmission dated<br>month(s)) which expired on |   |  |  |  |  |
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| (c) ⊠ A reply was received on <u>29 October 2008</u> but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below). |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| (d) ☐ No reply has been received.   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and<br/>from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-8</li> </ol>   |   | the statutory period of three months    |  |  |  |  |
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| (b) The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance  | of \$ is due.   |   |  |  |  |  |
| The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ 1   | The publication fee, if required by 37                      | CFR 1.18(d), is \$                      |  |  |  |  |
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| <ol> <li>Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as requ<br/>Allowability (PTO-37).</li> </ol>  | ired by, and within the three-month p                       | eriod set in, the Notice of             |  |  |  |  |
| (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on<br>after the expiration of the period for reply.   | (with a Certificate of Mailing or Tran                      | smission dated), which is               |  |  |  |  |
| (b) $\square$ No corrected drawings have been received.   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the<br/>the applicants.</li> </ol>  | attorney or agent of record, the assi                       | ignee of the entire interest, or all of |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an<br/>1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.</li> </ol>   | attorney or agent (acting in a repres                       | entative capacity under 37 CFR          |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claim</li> </ol>   |   | e the period for seeking court review   |  |  |  |  |
| 7. The reason(s) below:   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
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